

Brief Screening Questions

Question

Positive Screen

When was the last time you had more than 3 (for women and individuals over age 65) / 4 (for men) drinks in one day?

Once or more in the past 3 months

How many drinks do you have per week?

More than 14 (men)

More than 7 (women or anyone age 65+)

Positive on Brief Screen

Negative on Brief Screen

Provide further assessment with AUDIT or CRAFFT screening tool

- Reinforce positive decisions
- Rescreen at least annually
- Consider more frequent screening for:
 - Women who are pregnant or contemplating pregnancy
 - Adolescents transitioning to middle, high school, college
 - Significant increase in psychosocial stressors
 - People with substance abuse history who have recently changed their drinking patterns

Alcohol Screening Tools

	AUDIT <i>(adult alcohol use)</i>	CRAFFT <i>(adolescent alcohol use)</i>
Hazardous Use	Score 8—15 (for men) Score 7—15 (for women)	Score of 2 or more positive items indicates need for further assessment
Harmful Use	Score 16—19	
Possible Dependence	Score \geq 20	